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# Public Meeting Minutes September 14, 2021 6:15 p.m. – Virtual Meeting

Commissioners Present: Shauna Mulcahy, Lakshmi Darbha, Cindy Shubin, Chelsea Kadish, Maura Page, Lindsay Mickey, Marguerite Vacca-Kaye, Desiree Tucker, Lois Jarman, Rosario Campos

Commissioners Absent: Shauna Mulcahy, Maura Page, Valerie Dougherty,

Melissa Atherholt, Kaitlin Moore

Guests: Maigan Pechnik

President Chelsea Kadish called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m., a quorum was present.

# I. Executive Committee Report

Approval of the August meeting minutes. Minutes were accepted.

# II. Old Business

- a. Chelsea shared that Rosario will remain a Commissioner until we appoint a new Commissioner.
- b. Maigan announced that county buildings are set to re-open October 1. Chelsea said that we will plan on a face-to-face meeting at 7pm Tuesday, October 12 in the third-floor conference room. The Executive Committee will meet prior to the Commission meeting. Chelsea will notify everyone if there are any changes.

### **III.** Commission Business

- a. Outreach:
  - i. The Commission was represented well at In the Streets.
  - ii. Lakshmi shared that the Asian American Health Fair will be held on October 20th. Commisioners are asked to sign up and volunteer, which Lakshmi will distribute the information.
  - iii. Marguerite shared that the Heartly House would like us to volunteer at Walk a Mile in Her Shoes on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. A discussion to make a donation will be made at our October meeting.



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- b. Legislative Chelsea spoke about MLAW and items to be included on the agenda. Looking to add marital rape issue again this year since it was not passed last year. We should consider submitting a generalized statement with identified priorities for funding that the county receives focusing on the needs of women during COVID: broadband, day care, care for elderly family members. Motion that Frederick County priorities focus on the disproportionate impact of the pandemic on women. Lindsay moved; Rosario second. The motion passed unanimously.
- c. SheLEADS Chelsea gave report from Maura. 7 girls are signed up. Deadline to apply has been extended to September 30. First meeting will be October 9 or 10. They will try to meet outside as long as weather allows.
- d. Marketing Lakshmi suggested that we have pens printed for distribution at events. Chelsea asked Lakshmi to find cost and report in October. The cost will be lower the greater the quantity. Lindsay will send out a reminder email about commissioner bios to highlight on Facebook.

# IV. Announcements: .

- a. Lakshmi announced Avanee's Cyber Security 8 week training class. Interested persons can still register.
- b. Maigan announced the American Recovery Plan roundtable discussion will be Thursday, September 16, on human services if members are interested in giving public comment.
- c. Urbana Latino Festival will be held Saturday if anyone is interested in attending. Chelsea suggested that some of our commission materials could be translated in Spanish.
- d. Chelsea announced that the Frederick City primary election polls close at 8pm for those who might still need to vote.
- V. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

The next public meeting will be held on October 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.